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Transmittal Letter and Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant: Reichert
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Fred H. Zollinger III, Reg. No. 39,438

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination, a Petition for a two month extension of time, and a response in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

RCE fee = \$395

Number of Amended Claims:	29
Highest Number of Claims Previously Paid for:	32
Number of Amended Independent Claims:	5
Highest Number of Independent Claims Paid for:	5

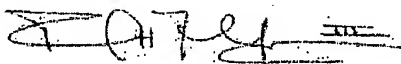
Claim Fees due for:

Total claims:	0 (\$50.00 each) = \$0
Independent Claims:	0 (\$200.00 each) = \$0

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of September 22, 2006 to and through February 22, 2007, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of two months (\$225)

Total Additional Fee Due for this Amendment: \$620 – credit card authorization enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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